

YOUTH ACTIVITIES

SUMMER ADVENTURE

Ages 6 - 12.

PLAYGROUNDS

JOIN YOUR FRIENDS FOR GAMES, SPORTS, story time, arts and crafts, carnivals and special events.

When: M, Tu,Th, June 11 - August 9. *(No program, July 2 - 6.)*

Where: Brookside (June 11 - July 13), Bryant, Brye, Countryside (June 20 - July 20), Kelly, Poplar Bridge, Running, Smith, Sunrise and Westwood parks.

Times: 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Cost: \$45. Field trips extra, *see below*. Friday swim trips \$5.



FIELD TRIPS

ADVENTURES AROUND THIS SUMMER. KIDS CAN SIGN UP FOR FUN, SAFE AND supervised field trips that will allow them to spend time with their friends. Some of the field trips include ice skating, rock climbing and swimming.

When: Wednesdays, June 13 - August 8. *(No field trip on July 4.)*

Cost: \$15 per trip.



SWIMMING LESSONS

AMERICAN RED CROSS SWIMMING LESSONS ARE AVAILABLE AT BLOOMINGTON FAMILY Aquatic Center, 301 E. 90th St., and Bush Lake Beach, 9140 E. Bush Lake Road.

When:	<i>Session I</i>	June 18 - 28.
	<i>Session II</i>	July 9 - 19.
	<i>Session III</i>	July 30 - August 9.
Times:	10:10 - 10:50 a.m.	Aquatic Center.
	7:10 - 7:50 p.m.	Aquatic Center.
	9:40 - 10:20 a.m.	Bush Lake Beach.
	6:40 - 7:20 p.m.	Bush Lake Beach.
Cost:	\$46.	
To register:	Call Parks and Recreation or register online at webtrac.ci.bloomington.mn.us .	



CAMP KOTA

Ages 7 - 12.

WHILE LEARNING BASIC CAMPING skills, children will develop an appreciation for the outdoors. Activities include swimming, arts and crafts, active games, field trips, camp craft activities and overnight camp. Bus transportation is provided from 7:45 - 8:20 a.m. and 3:05 - 3:45 p.m., except on Friday mornings. Childcare is available before and after camp for an additional fee.

When: Weekdays, 8:30 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Where: Bush Lake picnic shelter 3, 9140 E. Bush Lake Road.

Session I July 23 - 27.

Session II July 30 - August 3.

Session III August 6 - 10.

Session IV August 13 - 17.

Cost: \$150 per week.

To register, call Parks and Recreation or download a registration form at www.ci.bloomington.mn.us, keyword: Kota.

NEW! KOTA KIDS FOR AGES 5 - 6

When: M - Th, 8:30 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Session A July 30 - August 2.

Session B August 13 - 16.

Where: Bush Lake picnic shelter 3, 9140 E. Bush Lake Rd.

Cost: \$120 per week.



Mayor Gene Winstead, *left*, and Bloomington Advisory Board of Health's Michael Bawek, *right*, present the health promotion award to Thomas Ringdal.

BLOOMINGTON HEALTH PROMOTION AWARD
BEC-TV's TOM RINGDAL

TOM RINGDAL, DIRECTOR OF BLOOMINGTON Educational Cable Television (BEC-TV), was presented with the 2007 Bloomington Health Promotion Award at a City Council meeting in April.

Ringdal received the award for his commitment to fostering youth developmental assets – the “building blocks of health” – through skill and relationship development opportunities provided via the *Tomorrow's Voices Today* (TVT) youth cable television show.

Ringdal said his love of people and pushing buttons is what attracted him to the TVT project. Stories from youth who were nourished by their involvement with Ringdal confirm his impact and contributions.

“He really understands how to connect with youth and motivate them to achieve great things,” said Andy Ohrt, a BEC-TV student volunteer technician.

TVT teaches marketable skills, communication, teamwork and how to relate to adults. The success of these youth is the legacy of TVT.

NORMANDALE LAKE
ADDRESSING INVASIVE AQUATIC VEGETATION

THIS PAST WINTER, THE CITY'S Engineering and Environmental Health staff met with the Nine Mile Creek Watershed District to discuss Normandale Lake and strategies for addressing invasive aquatic vegetation, particularly Curleyleaf Pondweed. The current proposal would draw down Normandale Lake in the fall or winter 2008 to freeze Curleyleaf Pondweed and apply spot chemical treatment where needed. The lake would be allowed to return to its normal level naturally, using snowfall and rainfall. The following spring, lakeshore plantings and other vegetation mitigation would occur.

The Watershed District will be preparing a report to define the project more clearly, including the potential need for cost sharing with the City. Although detailed costs for the project have not been completed, estimated total costs range from \$100,000 to \$200,000. The City will continue with the current vegetation treatment plan using herbicides in Normandale Lake as permitted by the Department of Natural Resources. For more information, call Scott Anderson at 952-563-4867.

ADULT SPORTS



PICKLEBALL

PLAY AT HYLAND HILLS Tennis and Pickleball Court, 9858 Edgewood Road, on **Mondays** and **Wednesdays, May - October, 9 a.m. - 11 a.m.**

Free lessons are available on Mondays at 9 a.m. For more information, call Jim at 952-835-2468 or visit www.ci.bloomington.mn.us, keyword: Pickleball.

MEN'S AND WOMEN'S
TENNIS LEAGUES

PLAY DOUBLES, singles and mixers from **June - August**. For more information, call Parks and Recreation or visit www.ci.bloomington.mn.us, keyword: Tennis.



SENIOR SOFTBALL
LEAGUE

THE BORN AGAIN JOCKS SOFTBALL LEAGUE welcomes men, age 55 and older, with all levels of playing ability. Games are **Tuesdays** and **Thursdays, 8:45 a.m.**, at Valley View Playfield, 9000 Portland Ave. S. For more information, call Dick Wortman at 952-888-1814 or Loran Wendt at 952-831-4759, or e-mail Bob Wandberg at bwandberg@qwest.net.

NEW AND IMPROVED

BIG RINK RENOVATION
IMPROVEMENTS UNDERWAY AT RECREATIONAL FACILITY



AN UPGRADE TO ONE OF THE RINKS AT the Bloomington Ice Garden (BIG) is currently underway. The 37-year-old rink number one, which seats 1,800 people, has been heavily used since it opened. The \$1.2 million rink reconstruction will include a new energy-efficient refrigeration system, extended players' boxes and seamless glass that will enhance spectator viewing. Construction began in April and is scheduled for completion next fall. For more information, call Andy Baltgalvis, Bloomington Ice Garden Manager, at 952-563-8842.



CITY OF BLOOMINGTON
FARMERS MARKET

GET YOUR FRESH PRODUCE HERE

HERE'S YOUR CHANCE TO BUY PRODUCTS from local farmers, growers and producers. The City of Bloomington Farmers Market will be held on **Saturdays, July 7 - October 6, 7 a.m. - noon**, in the east parking lot of Bloomington Civic Plaza, 1800 W. Old Shakopee Road. For more information, call 952-563-8889.